IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/739,618

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Inventor(s):

John H. Howard

Title: Object-Based Storage

Device with Improved Reliability and Fast Crash

Recovery

Examiner: Duong, Thomas

Group/Art Unit: 2145

Atty. Dkt. No: 5181-59100

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136 FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a one month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 within which to respond to the Official Action mailed March 21, 2007, such extension allowing the undersigned until July 23, 2007, to respond.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee for filing this Petition for Extension of Time (\$120.00), or any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5181-59100/LJM.

Respectfully submitted,

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